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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

3 Applicant:: Wynne, John H. Division: 1762
4 Serial No.: 10/092,245 Examiner: Fletcher, William P.
5 Filed: 03/06/2002
6 For: Peelable Stenciling Ink And Method Of Using
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8 Honorable Commissioner of
9 Patents and Trademarks
10 Washington, D.C. 20231

11 Dear Sir:

12 AMENDMENT

13 This communication is filed in response to the Official Action in the above-identified
14 application dated March 15, 2004 and having a shortened statutory period for response set
15 to expire on June 15, 2004. Please amend the identified application as follows:

16 In the Claims:

17 Please amend the claims as in the attached document titled "Amendment to
18 Claims." Remarks:

19 Applicant affirms the provisional election made on 2/22/2004 to prosecute the
20 invention of Group I, Claims 1-10, drawn to a method for imprinting indicia onto markings onto
21 a surface of an object, classified in Class 427, subclass 272. However, applicant re-affirms
22 his traversal of the examiner's request for restriction and withdrawal from prosecution of
23 Group II, Claims 11-43, drawn to a peelable stenciling ink, based upon the following
24 consideration. In the present office action dated March 15, 2004, the examiner has stated
25 that "In the instant case, the product, as claimed can be used in a materially different process
26 of using that product: a process in which the ink is not peeled from the surface, but remains
27 intact as a surface coating." Applicant respectfully disagrees with the foregoing statement,
28 because, as stated repeatedly in the specification, applicant's ink never remains intact as a



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